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Letter dated 4 April 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Luxembourg to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose the text, in French and English, of the statement on the situation in Iraq issued by the European Community and its 12 member States on 2 April 1991 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and of its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 12, 35 and 153, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Jean FEYDER
Ambassador
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ANNEX

Statement on the situation in Iraq, issued by the European Community on 2 April 1991

The Community and its member States are very deeply concerned at the situation of the civilian population in Iraq, notably the Kurds and the Shiites.

They firmly condemn the brutal repression being imposed upon these population groups, bringing about a flow of refugees towards the neighbouring countries.

They call upon the Iraqi authorities to put an end without delay to this repression, which has already, in the past, severely afflicted the Kurdish people. Only the path of dialogue with all the parties concerned will allow the shaping of a renewed Iraq, united and respectful of the legitimate aspirations of the population groups of which the country is made up.